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| In re Application of: |) | |
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| Udo KRUPKA |) | Group Art Unit: 1648 |
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| Application No.: 10/561,345 |) | Examiner: Zachariah Lucas |
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| Filed: December 20, 2005 |) | |
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| For: NOVEL SURFACE PROTEIN |) | Confirmation No.: 5930 |
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 8, 2009, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper,
beginning on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper, beginning on
page 8.